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JOSEPH C. GREW

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WASHINGTON 8, D. C.

March 13, 1954

Handwritten initials

Dear Allen:

Thank you for your letter of yesterday about the proposed visit of a certain gentleman to the United States. You say that your people and, you understand, the State Department are inclined to think that it would not be wise to encourage this visit. You ask me if I concur.

With your vastly broader knowledge of the situation and the facts involved in this problem than I possess, I of course defer to your judgment in the premises. I am not in a position however to concur in or to disagree with your attitude towards this problem simply because I do not know the considerations on which your attitude is based. I have no doubt that they are sound. Some day I hope we may find an opportunity to talk it over together. Of course I shall give no encouragement whatever to the gentleman who broached the proposal to me.

Sincerely yours,

Handwritten signature

The Honorable Allen W. Dulles
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Dear Joe:

Many thanks for your letter of March 1st about a prospective visitor to the United States. Our people, and I understand the State Department concurs, are inclined to think that it would not be wise to encourage the gentleman in question to come to the United States. Do you concur?

Sincerely yours,

The Honorable Joseph C. Grew

Washington 8, D. C.

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